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Dear Sir:

This submission is responsive to an Office action mailed June 11, 2004, in which claims were rejected. The Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following remarks. This amendment is timely filed with a petition and fee payment for extension of time.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.

Rule 132 Declaration with Exhibits A-E is attached.